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Dr. Betty Knox - 1986-87 ACF Chairperson

In accepting this leadership position for the college, Betty Knox stated: "The primary reason why, in my busy life, I am devoting time and making gifts to Gardner-Webb is that an education at Gardner-Webb College involves the development of the whole person—physically, socially, spiritually, and intellectually. This costs money. Each year's budget is planned with an estimated amount in annual gifts from alumni, parents, and friends. Those gifts are important, anticipated income for the operation of the college. The Annual Fund is the vehicle through which the alumni can directly assist the college both now and in the future.

"I'm willing to give my time, talents, and money and am asking my fellow alumni to do no more than that. I am a visionary person and look to the future. I see a positive future for Gardner-Webb, and know the Board of Trustees are committed to lead Gardner-Webb in this continued growth towards the future. They need the support of the other constituencies, as the alumni, to ensure this forward movement."

Dr. Betty Knox is a member of G-W's class of 1954 and has served the college as a class chairperson for the Annual Fund, as

well as a member of the Board of Directors of the Alumni Association. She is currently serving as a member of the Board of Trustees of the college.

Dr. Knox brings a lot of training and experience to this position. After attending Gardner-Webb, she earned a bachelor's degree and master's degree from Appalachian State University. She received an education specialist degree and a doctorate in education from North Carolina State University. She is currently a consultant in resource development with the North Carolina Department of Community Colleges in Raleigh. Also, she is president of the Counseling and Educational Consulting Services in Raleigh, N.C.

Past employment includes Director of Development at Randolph Technical College in Asheboro, North Carolina. While at Randolph Tech, she led in a successful capital campaign for the institution. Dr. Knox has also led her church, as Building Committee chairman, through the first phase of its building program.

Dr. Knox is a member of several professional associations including Delta Kappa Gamma International; American Association for Counseling and Development;

American Association of University Women; and the National Council for Resource Development. She is currently working with the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education.

At the local level, Dr. Knox does volunteer work with the United Way of Wake County, and is a member of the Advisory Board for the Girl Scout Council. She has written several articles for professional journals, presented position papers at conventions, and testified before the President's Advisory Committee for Women.

She is married to John Jackson Knox, Jr., who is a consultant with the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction. They have one daughter, Joy, who is married to James Fairchild. The Fairchilds own and manage the Cherry Hill Farm in Charlottesville, Virginia.

The Knoxes enjoy traveling and working on home craft projects together. She also likes reading and swimming, when her schedule permits.

The Knoxes are members of the Crabtree Valley Baptist Church in Raleigh, where she has served as Sunday School Director, choir member and soloist, and is presently serving as a Deacon.



Broyhill Business Camp

What comes to mind when you think of summer camp? Most people think of swimming, softball, nature hikes and songs around the campfire. Yet, the 57 rising junior and senior high school students on the Gardner-Webb campus the week of June 22-27 attended an entirely different type of summer camp. These young people were participants in the sixth annual "Learn About Business" summer camp sponsored by the Broyhill Academy for the Study of Independent Concepts of Gardner-Webb College.

"The purpose of the camp," said Broyhill Academy Director Hank Garrity, "is to help students better understand how the business world operates.

"We want students to understand the necessity of profit, the free enterprise system, and to broaden their concept of job opportunities," said Garrity. "Most students go through school guided by one thought, 'Please the teacher'. Our purpose was to introduce students to the business world where they will work. The students were also given a chance to talk to business leaders in many different career areas."

During the weeklong camp, the students participated in a wide variety of activities, including seminars, guest speaker programs, computer programming classes, and class projects (such as a stock market competition). The group also took field trips to area businesses where they were able to observe firsthand the free enter-

prise system in operation. In addition, the students were invited to compete in an essay contest on the topic of free enterprise. The writer of the winning entry will receive a \$100 scholarship to the college of his/her choice.

Highlighting the week's off-campus visits were tours of the Broyhill Furniture Plant in Rutherfordton; Doran Textiles and Cleveland Memorial Hospital in Shelby; and Cash Farms in Gaffney, South Carolina.

In addition to field trips, students heard from guest speakers including David Ellis of Belk Department Stores; Rusty Hamrick of Kendall Drug Company; Marion McMillan of Smith Barney Harris Upham; John Edgerton of WBTV; Fred Flowers of Hamrick, Mauney, Flowers, Martin and Deaton, Attorneys-at-Law; Dr. Janie Carlton of the Davis School of Nursing; Beth Biggerstaff and Randy Wieck of Cleveland Memorial Hospital; Dr. Jack Hamrick, of Cleveland Orthopedic Associates; Jim Waddell of PPG; Kevin Jones, Gardner-Webb sports trainer; Barry Blackwell of Duke Power Company; Chuck Heath of Heath and Associates; John Vaughn of Southern National Bank; Dick LeGrand of Jaydee; Jack Vincent of Doran Textiles; John Barnhill of Artex International; Dr. Linda Combs, Education Advisor to Governor Jim Martin; and Risa Pless, Ben Davis and Ray Hardee of the Gardner-Webb staff.

Parents of the participants had an oppor-



Employee of Broyhill Furniture Industries explains the fine art of furniture making to Broyhill Academy campers.

tunity to learn more about the week's activities when they attended a Parents' Night dinner on Wednesday evening. Dr. Christopher White, president of Gardner-Webb College, addressed the 200 guests, with entertainment provided by Dr. Stan Hardin and Darlene Hunt. Special guests included three of the directors of the Broyhill Academy: Paul Broyhill, retired chairman of the board of Broyhill Furniture Industries; Ann Heafner Gaither, executive vice

president of J.H. Heafner Company; and R.T. (Dick) LeGrand, Jr., president of Jaydee, Incorporated.

Most of the students participating in the seminar attended the camp as Broyhill scholarship recipients. Each high school in a five-county area selected three outstanding students to receive the Broyhill Academy scholarships.

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Dr. M. Christopher White

Gardner-Webb College



A Time of New Beginnings

In the words of the writer of the Old Testament book known as Ecclesiastes, "For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven" (3:1). For Gardner-Webb College and for me and my family, this is indeed a time different from all previous times. Yet I am firmly convinced that everything has an appropriate time. It is my prayer that all we do as a community of higher learning be in accordance with God's purpose and time.

This is a time for remembering

Times of transition always bring a bit of nostalgia, a tendency to look at the past. I feel an overwhelming sense of gratitude for the countless persons in Gardner-Webb's past who have contributed to her traditions. I am particularly indebted to the work of Dr. Craven Williams. His decade of leadership was marked by adventure, excitement, growth and opportunity. He gave to this College far beyond the call of duty. He made an indelible mark on the College and her people. I have already come to sense the truth behind a statement he made to me on several occasions: "Gardner-Webb is a very special place."

This is a time for sorting priorities

As I learn about the College there are many directions that we could take, programs to begin, activities to emphasize. But not everything can be done at the same time. One of the quickest ways to fail is to try to be all things. This is a time of sorting priorities. I invite you as friends of the College to participate in the process. Tell us what you think.

This is a time of new beginnings

Most of all this is a time of new beginnings. I can sense throughout the campus a sense of renewal, a heightened sense of commitment to our tasks, and a strengthened desire to continue Gardner-Webb's progress toward becoming the best that she can be.

I am grateful for the opportunity to serve Gardner-Webb College. I look forward to meeting many of you in the coming months. I ask only for your continued interest in the College and for your prayers as we look toward the future.

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The Broyhill Academy for the Study of Independent Concepts promotes, respects and advocates the free enterprise system. It was created by a special gift from the Broyhill Foundation of Lenoir, North Carolina, in the spring of 1979. One of the major objectives of the Academy is to offer symposiums for executives, religious and civic leaders that educate the public in economic awareness, business ethics, managerial skills and farm economics.

Gardner-Webb College Gifts to Date By Source

TOTAL GIFTS FROM:

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New Vice President Appointed

President Christopher White announced the appointment of Donnie O. Clary as Vice President for Business and Finance at Gardner-Webb effective July 1, 1986.

"Gardner-Webb College is fortunate to have a man with Mr. Clary's credentials and experience to fill this important role," says G-W President M. Christopher White. "He is personable, industrious and creative. He will bring new ideas to our entire operation."

Mr. Clary comes to Gardner-Webb College from Limestone College in Gaffney, South Carolina, where he served as Business Manager and chief financial officer. He was employed for 10 years at Limestone as comptroller and assistant vice president for Business and Finance before assuming in 1981 his position as chief financial officer. Before joining the Limestone administrative team, he was employed by Scales Enterprises Incorporated of Pacolet, South Carolina, and as marketing representative by Burroughs Corporation of Greenville, South Carolina.

Mr. Clary is a graduate of the University of South Carolina with a bachelor of science degree. He is currently residing in Gaffney, S.C.

Mr. Clary's responsibilities at Gardner-Webb include the investment and endowment program and overseeing the accounting and business operation as the chief financial officer. He will also oversee the bookstore, physical plant operations,



and security and traffic control. He will serve on the President's Council with the other vice presidents.

Mr. Clary plans to marry Ms. Tammy Toney from Forest City on September 6, 1986.

He was the recipient of the 1983 Outstanding Young Man of America award by the Junior Chamber of Commerce. He was Director of the Saints Club, the LaFayette Masonic Lodge and the Hejas Temple of the Greenville Shrine. He is a member of the Macedonia Baptist Church.

His hobbies are aquatics and woodworking. He is a certified open water scuba diver and boating instructor.

Dr. Morgan Establishes Endowed Scholarship



With President White looking on, Dr. Robert Morgan signs statement establishing the Dr. Robert Earle Morgan Endowed Scholarship.

Dr. Robert Morgan and President Chris- comments: "I am glad that this endowed opher White met on June 30 to sign the Statement of Understanding for the establishment of the Dr. Robert Earle Morgan Endowed Scholarship. The income from this endowed fund will be used to provide financial assistance to worthy students enrolled at Gardner-Webb College.

After he signed the agreement, Dr. Morgan, who is beginning his twentieth year as professor of French and mathematics at Gardner-Webb, made these

scholarship will enable me to be a permanent part of this college. I have always wanted my life to be invested in beneficial causes which will outlast me."

President White said in receiving the gift: "This endowed scholarship fund will bear good fruit in the lives of young people for years to come. Dr. Morgan is to be commended for his example of good stewardship and his commitment to the future of Gardner-Webb."

Programs

Heritage Club Meets

Seventy-five persons attended the third annual dinner meeting of the Gardner-Webb College Heritage Club on June 17. This organization recognizes those friends of Gardner-Webb who are helping to assure a bright future for the college by building more adequate endowment resources. Membership in the Heritage Club includes those who have made gifts designated for

endowment or have included the college in their wills or in some other part of their estate plans.

As of June 17, one hundred eighty-seven persons had become members. College consultants state that from this membership, Gardner-Webb will eventually see \$3,750,000 in endowment.



Mrs. Dorothy W. Edwards receives her certificate of membership into the Heritage Club.

Planning Your Estate

Most Americans devote a major portion of their time and energy during their adult years to the process of earning a living and accumulating financial resources. However, we often overlook the importance of developing plans which will ensure that those resources which we have acquired will be used to secure maximum benefits for ourselves, our loved ones, and those institutions in which we believe.

A good estate plan results in the best management of your assets now and later. It should reflect the desires and priorities of the person who has taken time to have the plan prepared. It can include retirement planning, a program of insurance coverage, trust arrangements, and other provisions. An estate plan should also include a will.

For information which will help you in your planning, use the attached form to send for your complimentary copy of the booklet *Planning Your* Estate.

To: Max Padgett

Director of Endowment and Deferred Giving

Gardner-Webb College

Boiling Springs, NC 28017 (Telephone 704-434-2361)

Please send me a copy of the booklet Planning Your Estate.

I would like more information about the Gardner-Webb College Pooled Income Trust Fund.

I am pleased to inform you that I have included Gardner-Webb College in my estate plans.

Name

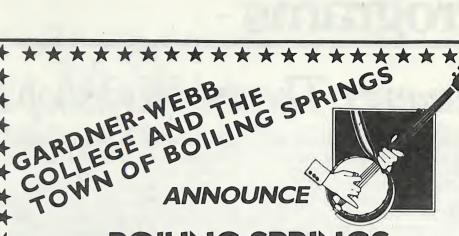
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Endowment Development

Assuring the future of Gardner-Webb College



BOILING SPRINGS 75th ANNIVERSARY AND **EARL SCRUGGS DAY**

September 13, 1986

Schedule of Events

Parade

10:00 - 11:00

Downtown,

Boiling Springs

Kathleen Dover

GRAND MARSHALL - Earl Scruggs

Town History Program 11:00 - 12:30

Theatre

12:30 - 1:30

Tickets - \$3.00

Charles I. Dover Center

Music on Lawn

Picnic Lunch

1:00 - 4:00

GWC Campus Lawn

John Hartford

J. Max McKee and the Unexpected The Lincoln County

Partners Mane-ly Grass

Dan Padgett Dr. Bobby Jones

Ray & Mary Edwards Harold Murphy

Seminar on Country

3:00 - 4:00 John Hartford - Dover Memorial

Music and Earl Scruggs

Seminar Leader

Library

Town Games Banquet Honoring 2:00 - 4:00 6:30

GWC Campus Lutz-Yelton

Earl Scruggs

Convocation Center

MASTER OF CEREMONIES - Hugh Dover

*Tickets - Adults \$10.00 Children \$ 5.00

*For banquet tickets and/or further information, call M. Henry Garrity, Vice President for Development and Broyhill Academy Director at Gardner-Webb College at (704) 434-2361.

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Programs

Summer Theatre Workshop Held

After May graduation, Gardner-Webb College settles down for a long summer's nap. The campus is usually quiet and restful. But this summer there has been at least one place where a flurry of activity has prevailed. This place was Dover Theatre, home of the first Gardner-Webb Summer

Theatre Workshop.

Eighteen participants gathered June 2 and were hard at work until July 31. The workshop incorporated all areas of the theatre and culminated with two plays running in repertory. They were Neil Simon's *The Odd Couple* and James Goldman's *The Lion in Winter*. The eighteen participants included six Gardner-Webb students, four members of the Greater Shelby Community Theatre, four high school students, two other college students and two faculty members.

The workshop director was Dr. Jeff Elwell, Director of Theatre and the assis-

tant professor of Communications Studies at Gardner-Webb. He also directed *The Lion in Winter*.

Dr. Elwell proposed the first workshop in the fall of 1985 for two reasons. The first was to create a continuity with the public in a newly revived theatre program. The second reason was to attract others in the state as future students in the Gardner-Webb theatre program.

The workshop was also set up to give current students and residents more theatre opportunities. Dr. Elwell saw this as an opportunity for the college to serve the local area by making entertainment available at a reasonable cost.

The workshop involved much more than just acting and directing. For example, three current Gardner-Webb students worked in the workshop as part of their internships under the Communications curriculum. Each participant was exposed

to more than one area of the theatre. Many of the actors and actresses helped design and build the sets for the two plays.

Stan Logan, a member of the Greater Shelby Community Theatre, was the director of *The Odd Couple* and also played Geoffrey in *The Lion in Winter*. He says, "Directing is a lot easier than acting. The hardest part is having control of one play and no control of the next."

The workshop has already yielded results. Chip Caldwell, a recent high school graduate from Kings Mountain, will attend Gardner-Webb this fall. "The theatre had a lot to do with my coming here. I've been in the theatre since the fourth grade and I plan to work in theatre when I graduate. The workshop has acquainted me with people and the theatre itself. It is sort of like an apprenticeship before the fact."

The workshop also attracted an out-ofstate participant. Traci Schroeder is a senior theatre arts major at Southwest Louisiana University. Her advisor suggested she work with Dr. Elwell since Elwell was the last to graduate from SW Louisiana with a theatre arts degree. She too reaped benefits from the workshop experience. "I plan to work with a stock company when I graduate. The experience here will help me tremendously because I am doing many of the things I would be doing in a stock company."

A current Gardner-Webb student, Patty Redman, used the workshop not only for experience but also to receive academic credit. Miss Redman, a senior communications major, was the costume designer for the two plays. She says, "I've gotten to know a lot more about the different aspects of theatre. This has helped me to get a good start in theatre."

Dr. White Makes First Formal Address

"Many of you, most of you, all of you know much, much more about Gardner-Webb in terms of past than I do, but I'm catching up on you. I'm interested, though, not only in the past and the present, but particularly the future.

"We started as an academy, high school, junior college, senior college, and now, lo and behold, a master's degree program. Remarkable progress! But as a senior college, we are still young. We aren't anywhere near where we want to go. The issue now is not one of survival; the issue is one of quality. We can survive without you (Heritage Club), but we can't have the quality we want without you."

"In the words of the Old Testament prophet, 'Without a vision, the people perish.' We need to have a vision. My vision for Gardner-Webb is in the process of becoming. It's embryonic, it's not all there yet. I have some features I'm thinking about, praying about. I have some key concepts. I'm thinking in terms of first-rate, successful, Christian, beautiful, caring, teaching, relationships. All those words we want to be associated with Gardner-Webb College.

"In effect, I want us to be the very best college of our type we can be. We're good, but we need to be better; and we need to be better in many, many ways. By becoming better, it's not only a product of wise use of resources, it's gaining more resources.

"What I would like to ask of you is, in the weeks and months to come, I would appreciate very much your sharing with me what it is you think Gardner-Webb is all about. Tell me about how it used to be. Tell me how you perceive it now. Tell me what your dream is. I have an idea that through the amalgamation of all our ideas can come a chart, or an objective, or a goal, or a direction for the next decade or so.

"Gardner-Webb can do much for you. I hope that in your church work, in your civic club work, and all the things that you do, that you will allow this college to be of service to you. We want to provide moral support. We want to provide speakers and leaders; we want to be of service to this community.

"As I read in the book *Lengthened Shadows*, service to community has been an undergirding watchword for this community.

"But now what does Gardner-Webb need from you? We need three things: (1) First of all, we need your continued interest and support. You don't know how much it thrills me to see you here tonight. The very act of your coming here says, 'I care, I'm concerned, I acknowledge things as they are, and I want things to be the best they can be.' (2) We want you to tell the story. There are many of us that have an evangelistic background and the ability to tell the story. Unfortunately, most of us only tell the story about the best shoe store we've found or some cloth that is on sale. But we need to tell our friends and our neighbors about this college and the things it is doing for the people who attend. (3) Perhaps most importantly, I would say to you that we need your prayers. This college has had a solid relationship with the church since its conception. That relationship has got to continue. We are going to be only as good as our relationship with our Master. We appreciate the prayers you have given for this

college and its personnel in the past, and we will want that in the future.

"Back in 1639, a gentleman by the name of John Harvard gave 779 pounds and half of his estate to build a university. That of course came to be known as Harvard. At that moment there was started in this nation a tradition of private support for private higher education. Since that time, virtually every private university and college in the United States has been undergirded by the private sector. Without it, the system of private education would not have made it."

"In conclusion, I would like to say just two things: Gardner-Webb is worthy of your pride. Gardner-Webb is worthy of your support. I believe that we have both, and for that we are grateful."

"The college has come a long way, but we're not where we want to go yet."

(Excerpts from President White's address to the Heritage Club on June 17.)



Dr. Forrest Feezor and Dr. Mae Cline Stroupe share reminiscences.



George Blanton Jr., master of ceremonies, speaks to Heritage Club members.

Alumni and Friends

1950 Alumnus Hikes as Hobby

Members of the Waco Outing Club (of Waco, Texas) plan hikes approximately three times a year throughout different areas of the United States.

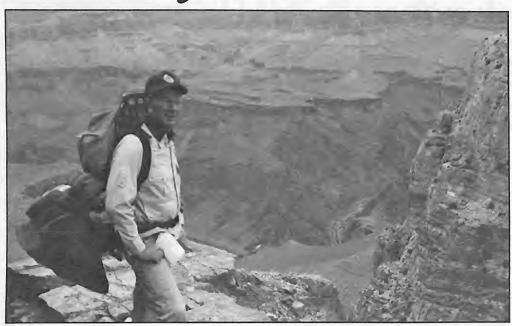
Dr. Bob Patterson, professor in the Department of Religion at Baylor University, says hiking "has been a lifelong hobby." Patterson has hiked the Grand Canyon, the riverbeds of Central Texas, and most of the east coast states.

Dr. Patterson received his A.A. in 1950 from Gardner-Webb. He received a B.A. from Baylor University with majors in English and religion. He also received an M.A. in Philosophy from Baylor and the M. of Div. and Ph.D. in Philosophy from Southern Seminary.

Dr. Patterson has pastored churches in Kentucky and Florida, and has served as an interim pastor and speaker at conferences. Over the years, Dr. Patterson has written numerous journal articles, book reviews, cassettes. Additionally, he has written, edited and contributed to many books. He is the author of *The Stirring Giant* (Word Ind., Waco, Texas, 1971), *Discovering Matthew* (Guidepost, 1985), and *Discovering Revelation* of the New Testament Series "The Guidepost Home Bible Study Program."

Among several accomplishments, Dr. Patterson has received the *Outstanding Educators of America* award and was twice the recipient of the *Outstanding Faculty Member* award from Baylor University.

Patterson is married to the former Barbara Ann Baum of Ft. Lauderdale, Florida. They have two children, Linda Lee and Beth Ann.



Dr. Bob Patterson, Class of 1950, on hike in the Grand Canyon.

A Reunion in Boiling Springs by Jay Jenkins

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Jim DeBrew was a member of the class of 1936 at Boiling Springs High School in Cleveland County who had a rare gift.

Jim could whistle without seeming to part his lips. The thin trill sounded as though it was coming from far away. When the teacher picked it up and cocked his head, then scanned the classroom in futile search, the culprit was seated four feet from him.

The ruler hit the desk and stern warnings were issued. Jim always followed with another note or two, just for good measure. He was never caught, and none

of his classmates ever learned his secret.

Sadly, Jim won't be at the first and the 50th reunion in May, but he and his mysterious whistle will be among the memories of the survivors who gather at the Snack Shop at the crossroads to renew friendships and reminisce about an earlier time of simpler pleasures.

Boiling Springs Junior College, struggling offspring of a boarding high school, had been in operation in its three buildings for nine years when the high school class of '36 graduated. In those Depression days, college officials didn't worry about

building an endowment; their immediate concern was groceries for the dining hall next week.

On numerous occasions, E.B. Hamrick, local merchant, personally kept the college going. The Baptist church helped. When the college wanted a gym, lacking only money, the men of the community donated the materials and built it themselves. Good people, hard workers.

High school classes and college students alternated using classrooms and the gym. School started in mid-summer, then took a six-week break so the youngsters could

pick cotton at harvest time.

One of the highlights for the class came in its junior year, when the school first fielded basketball teams, with uniforms yet. In one game hosted by a Rutherford County school, the gym lights were powered by an old generator whose hiccups made them erratic and fortunately distracted attention from play on the floor.

The class of '36 was blessed by a corps of competent teachers who had a sincere interest in the students and knew how to motivate them. Only later would their charges appreciate that good fortune.

The business heart of Boiling Springs was the crossroads, the intersection of two dirt roads. On the corners were a garage, a filling station, a general store and a sandwich company that made sandwiches that were peddled in textile mills. Nearby was a two-room post office.

The post office, an old brick structure, later gained literary notice. In the unheated back room, a Boiling Springs resident, W.J. Cash, wrote portions of his classic book, "The Mind of the South."

Members of the class of '36 whose return visits have been infrequent will find surprises awaiting them. It's Gardner-Webb College now, a thriving four-year institution on a sprawling campus with no worries about where the next meal is coming from.

There's a community hospital in place of the lone chain-smoking country doctor who once served the area. There's a drug store, an apartment complex and a smart volunteer fire department. For years, the Baptist church was the only one in town; now the Methodists have one. The population has swelled to 2,500.

All the surface changes that have occurred in Boiling Springs during the last 50 years are likely to have little effect on the old grads. Once we were young; now we are old. But when the talk and the laughter mingle in the Snack Shop, somehow that won't matter.

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66 GLORY DAYS??

All members of the classes of 1950-1959 are invited as special guests for this day of renewing old friendships and reminiscing about those 'Glory Days'.

10:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon Lunch, center campus featuring "The Four 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Bits" singing the favorite songs of the 50's Homecoming Parade 1:00 p.m. Pre-game activities 1:45 p.m. Football game — Spangler Stadium 2:00 p.m. Gardner-Webb vs. Elon College Post-game reception 4:30 p.m. Lutz-Yelton Convocation Center DeHart Concourse Scrimmage Game—Runnin' Bulldogs 5:00 p.m. Paul Porter Arena Homecoming Dance 7:30 p.m. Elks Club, Shelby, N.C.

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Alumni and Friends

Cat Tale Starts with Horror, Ends with All 9 Lives Intact

by Gene Stowe — reprinted with permission from Charlotte Observer

The Rev. David Boan felt bad enough when he found the cat mutilated by two hunting dogs across the street from his First Baptist Church in Pageland, S.C.

His friend, Pageland Postmaster Nan Eubanks, had left Thomas, her beloved white-collared, black-and-white cat, in his care while she went to Birmingham, Ala., to visit her daughter.

The situation became worse the next morning when Boan, who had dug a hole in Eubank's backyard for the cat's casket, could not find the body on the sidewalk next door where he had left it.

Boan and another friend, Helen Smith, decided to bury the empty box with its blue chiffon bow without telling Eubanks they had lost Thomas's body. "There were a few words (said) over the empty box," Boan said.

Then Eubank's daughter called to say her mother was on the way home to exhume the cat so she could say goodbye to her dear companion.

Boan and Smith considered stalling her until they could plant a decomposed chicken in the casket.

"We decided that we were really going to help the lady out and spare her feelings," Boan said. "We couldn't tell her the cat was mutilated."

But about two hours before Eubanks arrived, when Smith went to clean out the cat's litter box and food bowl, she found Thomas—alive and hungry—in the guest cottage behind her home.

Smith put a poster on Eubank's back door telling her that Thomas was inside and well and came back to find Eubanks hugging her cat and weeping for joy.

"I thought, 'Am I crazy'?" recalls Eubanks, who cried all the way home from Birmingham because, she says, the oncestray cat was the last link to her husband, Joe, who died about a year ago.

"Here I am running home because of Thomas and here they say he's all right and they were supposed to have buried him this morning. When I opened the door, Thomas stuck his head out and said 'meow."

The cat tale started after church on the night of April 20 and lasted until late the next afternoon.

Boan heard barking across the street from the church and found that two hunting dogs had treed and killed a cat. Police officers took the dogs to their owner while Boan and Smith inspected the dead animal with a flashlight.

"We were just assured that it was the cat we were given charge of," Boan says.

Boan took the collar off the cat Monday, then went to dig a hole for the casket, an infant one a funeral home donated. Fortyfive minutes later, the body was gone.

"I was going to put it on the shovel and put it in the casket," Boan says. "There's no question in my mind a possum came and dragged that cat out of there."

A Trip to Graduation in 1935

Mrs. Bonnie Price, a resident of Boiling Springs, recently sent a thankyou note to Hank Garrity, Vice President for College Relations, and reminisced about attending a past graduation at Boiling Springs Junior College. The following is a section of the letter from Mrs. Price:

"Well, Saturday morning while I was sitting in the graduation exercises I got to thinking back over the many years that I had attended GWC graduations. I said to the lady next to me, 'I attended my first graduation here in 1935.' She had a daughter in the graduating class, but she looked at me like I was talking ancient history when I mentioned 1935.

I didn't share anymore with her, but I reflected back on that first time after I got home. It was one month before my 13th birthday. My mother had inherited a little cash money from her side of the house. My oldest sister had graduated from Beth-Ware high school one year before and remained at home because we couldn't afford to send her to school. So that spring, mother decided we'd come to graduation at Boiling Springs Junior College.

We had a new used Willis Knight and drove from our near Kings Mountain residence to Shelby and the parents debated whether to continue west on Highway #74 to the Lattimore crossing and have only 3 miles on a dirt road, or go south on #18 and have a dirt road from Zoar church. The shorter route on dirt won. The road was such a 'washboard'. I thought the doors would fall off the car. If we rolled the windows down the dust choked us. If we left them up we burned up.

We arrived late and sat on the back row in the Hamrick building. I was all ears and eyes. We heard the last few sentences of the address and then they gave out diplomas.

It is always fresh and thrilling to see young folk who have striven to receive their degrees."

Seven Alumni Receive Master's Degrees

Seven alumni of Gardner-Webb College were among the 279 graduates recently awarded master's degrees at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary.

Gardner-Webb alumni receiving degrees in the May commencement were:

Betty Hirst Blair (1979), Master of Social Work Patricia Jean Burnett (1983), Master of Church Music

Mary Ann Garrett (1984), Master of Arts in Christian Education Raymond C. Johns Jr. (1983), Master

Raymond C. Johns, Jr. (1983), Master of Divinity

Darryl Eugene Kensinger (1982), Master of Divinity Larry Wayne Owens (1979), Master of Social Work

George Thomas Swinney (1978), Master of Social Work

(Date in parenthesis indicates year student graduated from Gardner-Webb.)

Dr. Larry Sale Receives Honor



Dr. Larry L. Sale, Assistant Academic Vice President for Special Studies at Gardner-Webb College, has been elected President of the North Carolina Association of Summer Sessions. The organization is composed of deans and directors of summer sessions in public and private senior colleges and universities in North Carolina. In addition, he serves on the Research Committee of the North American Association of Summer Sessions.

Dr. Sale holds B.S. and M.A. degrees from Appalachian State University and an Ed. D. degree from Indiana University.

He has served as a graduate professor of education, Director of Teacher Education,

Director of Continuing Education and Summer School, and Dean of Special Studies at Gardner-Webb. Dr. Sale is the founder of the Greater Opportunities for Adult Learners (GOAL) Program and the Master of Arts in Education Program at Gardner-Webb.

Prior to coming to Gardner-Webb in 1971, Sale served on the faculties of Indiana University, University of Virginia, and the University of North Carolina at Greensboro. He is a former North Carolina Coordinator for Phi Delta Kappa International. He is the author of two college textbooks and several articles.

PARENT'S DAY

October 4,1986

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Parents Meet with Faculty
Parents' Association Meeting
Concert Choir Concert
Picnic
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Sports

Basketball Camp Successful



Carl Clayton teaches basketball campers ball-handling techniques.

Nearly 700 young people from across the southeastern United States attended basketball camp at Gardner-Webb this year. The camp featured many top high school teams and some excellent high school talent.

One of the high points of basketball camp is the guest lecturers. This year, Coach Jim Wiles brought in ACC stars Jeff

Lebo and Joe Wolf of the University of North Carolina, and Tommy Amaker of Duke. Also featured were ball-handling experts Carl Clayton and Austin Lehman. Carl Clayton is somewhat of a regular at Gardner-Webb camps with his entertaining educational show.

The foundations of a solid future for Bulldog basketball could also be seen at

this year's camp. Each of the seven signees for next year worked as camp counselors at least one week and many worked all three weeks. This contributed to many exciting counselors' games and proved that these young people appear to be ready to live up to the high standards and expectations of becoming Bulldog basketball

86 Volleyball Preview by Dr. Dee Hunt

Young and promising are perhaps the best descriptions of the women's volleyball players on the 1986 team. Losing only one senior from the 1985 roster, three seniors, one junior, six sophomores and two freshmen will comprise the Lady Bulldog

Seniors Donna Hendrix, Donna Robertson and Lisa Stewart are expected to provide the skills and the leadership needed for a successful season. Hendrix and Robertson are strong, improved hitters and will also be effective in the blocking positions. Stewart has displayed quality defensive play as well as the ability to assume the setting role if necessary.

Sophomores Kim Haywood and Lara Sellers are young players, but as a result of 1985 playing time and hard work, they should make strong contributions to the squad. Other returning players expected to contribute are Rhonda Edwards, Shawn Medlin and Jenny Riddle.

Newcomers Lisa Tucker and Cindy Cook will add depth and height, respectively, to the young squad. Tucker, a junior, has had previous playing time in the setting position, while Cook will be used primarily as a hitter and/or middle blocker. Susan Moore (Kings Mountain) and Tonya Sprinkle (Hendersonville), both

outstanding high school players, are new recruits whose talents should prove useful.

Dr. Dee Hunt, new coach of the Lady Bulldogs, views the upcoming season with enthusiasm and optimism. Concentrated practice sessions and a summer conditioning program are expected to be two important factors for the season's success, according to Dr. Hunt. Also, concentrated efforts will be made to help ensure team unity and self-worth.

This year's schedule boasts seven home tri-matches. The players will be returning to campus early in order to prepare for their first home matches on September 8.

1986 Spring Sports

sports at Gardner-Webb, even though it was not as good as anticipated.

The baseball team failed in its bid to make the District 26 tournament for the second straight year. However, they did defeat three of the four teams in the tournament. Injuries to key players during the middle part of the season proved costly for

Junior outfielder Jeff Spargo hit .387 and was selected to the All-District 26 squad. He had an amazing on-base percentage of

1986 proved to be a good year for spring .645 against district opponents. Freshman outfielder Scott Lee, who missed the last 15 games of the season, hit .406. Junior catcher Mark Ellis hit .349, and junior second baseman Mike Cheek hit .326.

The men's tennis team had another successful year. The 'Dogs finished third in the District 26 tournament, their highest finish ever.

Leading the Gardner-Webb attack was Rob Land. He scored a rare double in playing the number one position and also recorded the best record on the team. This

was quite an achievement considering the

The ladies' softball team finished up very strong, winning six of their last eight games. Gardner-Webb finished second in the District 26 Independent tournament.

Mechelle Hamilton led the Lady Bulldogs with a .440 average, followed by Donna Robertson with .435, Lisa Stewart with .384, Andi Morris with .373, and Donna Hendrix with .366.

Ben Davis Drafted



Ben Davis was drafted in the fifth round by the Cleveland Cavaliers in the annual NBA draft in June.

Davis averaged 21.7 points per game and shot over 56% from the field as a senior. He was honored as a third team All-American.

In his career, Davis scored 2,039 points, had 550 rebounds, and 347 assists.

Head basketball coach Jim Wiles stated, 'Ben is the best pure shooter I've ever coached and one of the best I've ever seen. His ability to get along with others and his ability to shoot the basketball could very well carry him in the NBA."

Ben joins a long list of former Bulldog basketball players who have continued their careers in the professional ranks. Other Bulldogs who have played professional basketball include John Drew, Artis Gilmore, George Adams, and Eddie Wilkins.

Seven Recruited for Basketball

Gardner-Webb's basketball program should be sound for the next four years due to an outstanding recruiting year. "Several of our recruits are the type of players who can step in and contribute immediately," said assistant basketball coach John Haskins. "We brought in some excellent athletes who are also good students and quality people."

The 1986 recruits and their hometowns

are as follows:		
Tom Plaster	$(6'7\frac{1}{2}'')$	Denton,
		South Carolina
Darren Sanders	(6'0'')	McBee,
		South Carolina
Chad Gough	(6'4'')	Mt. Airy,
		North Carolina
Reggie Ampley	(6'2'')	Gastonia,
		North Carolina
Anthony Haley	(6'5'')	Charlotte,
		North Carolina
Bill Fath	(6'0'')	Anderson,
		South Carolina

(6'0'')

Gastonia,

North Carolina

Darryl Floyd

Sports Coach Fish Optimistic for '86 Season missed the '85 season, is a speedster who missed the '85 season, is a speedster who

season with nine returning starters on offense and seven on defense.

"If we can mature on defense and pick up where we left off last season, while continuing to improve on offense, we can be a good football team," Fish stated.

The Bulldogs have shown steady improvement under Fish, now in his third season. The 1985 campaign ended with a 6-5 record, only the fourth winning season in Gardner-Webb's football history.

During last season, the Bulldogs displayed the most balanced offensive attack since Gardner-Webb first played as a four-year school in 1970. With ten starters and the split back veer offense returning, the offense should be even stronger.

The key to the offensive attack will be junior quarterback Jesse James. James, who alternated at quarterback last season, needs to regain the confidence he displayed early in the '85 season. He finished the season with 562 yards passing, but he connected on only 43 percent of his

James' favorite target should once again be sophomore Kelvin Richardson, whose 39 catches earned him second team All-SAC-8 honors last season as a freshman. Junior Frank Cunninghan (19 catches, 363 yards) and senior Tony Simpson (14 catches, 138 yards) are also very capable receivers. Junior Jimbo Early was a receiving threat out of the backfield as well.

Early and sophomores Tony Phillips and Chris Poston, along with freshman Darryl Middleton, a 1985 Shrine Bowl participant, should provide steady spectacular play in the offensive backfield. Poston, who

The offensive line appears to be a strong point with four interior linemen returning. Junior Brian Wood, an All-District 26 performer last season, is back at center. and sophomore Thurman Leach is back at guard. Junior Jim Chappell and senior Chris Medford return at tackle.

On defense the Bulldogs face the unenviable task of replacing linebacker Darryl Perry (SAC-8 Defensive Player of the Year), end Wayne Hall (2nd team All-SAC-8) and guard Tim Hardie (2nd team All-SAC-8). However, returning and heading up the defense is first team All-American defensive back Eric Brewton. Brewton intercepted 10 passes last season and returned 3 of those for touchdowns.

Also returning are senior linebacker Ozzie Wright (90 tackles) and guard Daryl Griffin (56 tackles). Delmonte Hugh, who was injured last season, will be a valuable contributor at defensive end if he can recover from knee surgery. Sophomore Norman James, who played very well in the latter part of the 1985 season, should see considerable playing time somewhere on the defensive front. Senior Terry Lewis started at safety last season and has been moved to outside linebacker to better utilize a strong defensive secondary.

In addition, newcomers Barry McCabe, a transfer from Furman, and Robert Hill, a transfer from Western Carolina, are outstanding players.

Junior Mark Greene will return to handle the kicking chores, and Jesse James can handle the punting duties. Eric Brewton will again serve as a return specialist.



All-American defensive back Eric Brewton with Coach Woody Fish.

Football Recruiting A Very Good Year

The 1986 football recruiting year was very good according to Coach Woody Fish. "I feel like this was the best recruiting year since I've been here," stated Fish. "Several of the players can step in and contribute immediately."

Listed below are the recruits signed thus far for the Bulldogs:

NAME	POSITION	COLLEGE or HIGH SCHOOL
David Sumpter	DE/LB	Navarro Junior College
Robert Hill	DB	Western Carolina Uni.
Jimmy Anderson	OL	Citadel
Barry McCabe	DB	Furman University
Mike Dudko	Kicker	South Point High School
Bobby Wray	RB/DB	White Oak High School
Wendell Rhodes	DB	Wren High School
William Palmer	LB	Gaffney High School
Warren Choice	LB	Laurens High School
Tim Waters	Receiver	Woodruff High School
Thomas Mack	DB	Byrnes High School
Jim Bowlin	Kicker	Boiling Springs High School
Joe Robbins	OL	Asheboro High School
Jay Justice	OL	Boiling Springs High School
Johnny Wood	OL	Boiling Springs High School
Chris Willingham	LB	Westside High School
Steve Whack	DL	Summerville High School
Steve Emory	DL	Buford High School
Phil Oglesby	RB	Salisbury High School
Hugh Pickens	QB	Sandlewood High School, FLA
Rick Chavis	DL/TE	E. Burke High School
Marc Hubbard	TE	W. Charlotte High School
Bill Estell	OL	Jacksonville High School
Mike Lindsay	OL	Boiling Springs High School

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1986 Football Schedule

Sept.	6 13	at Western Kentucky	1:00 CST
	20	*at Newberry College	7:00
	27	GEORGIA SOUTHWESTERN	2:00
Oct.	4	LIVINGSTONE COLLEGE	2:00
		(Parents' Day)	
	11	*at Lenoir-Rhyne College	7:00
	18	*CATAWBA COLLEGE(Church Youth Day)	2:00
	25	*at Carson-Newman College	1:30
Nov.	1	*ELON COLLEGE(Homecoming)	
	8	*at Presbyterian College	2:30
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People

CLASS OF 1925

Edna Humphries Mack writes that she is still very active and busy! She misses notes from classmates in the Web. She lives about thirty minutes from Mount St. Helens and says it is still alive, but she is in no danger so far.

Mary C. Thompson Kiser writes that she is happy to be living in Givens Retirement Community. She states that it is comfortable and church-related. It reminds her of Boiling Springs Boarding School, 1921-25. "I'll never forget you!"

CLASS OF 1942

Wilburn T. Hendrix has retired as Chaplain at Forsyth Prison after ten years. Prior to that he served Southern Baptist churches in Texas and North Carolina for thirty years. He continues to make his home in Winston-Salem.

CLASS OF 1948

Ervin C. Neal of Bostic proudly announces the birth of his new grand-daughter, Neely Andrews.

CLASS OF 1949

Joe S. Hamrick has retired from Piedmont Farm Credit Service after many years of service. Joe resides in Shelby with his wife LouJean and two children.

CLASS OF 1950

Margi Nanney Metcalf is currently teaching fifth grade at Granite Falls Elementary School. She has two grown children and is a grandmother to three.

CLASS OF 1961

Dr. Gene R. Swinson is pastor of the Hillcrest Baptist Church in Augusta, Georgia.

CLASS OF 1963

Eddie Collins has been promoted to department manager of product development in Doran's yarn sales division. Eddie resides in Boiling Springs.

CLASS OF 1965

Dean Garver, director of industrial relations for Doran Textiles, has been named the "Citizen of the Year" for 1986 by the Shelby Lions Club. Dean was recognized by the Lions Club for a variety of community and civic activities he is involved in. He and his wife, Mary, have two children and five grandchildren. The Garvers reside in Kings Mountain.

CLASS OF 1966

Joel W. Carroll, principal of Hudson Elementary School, has been named the 1986 Principal of the Year for the Caldwell County school system.

CLASS OF 1968

Sgt. 1st Class Edward D. Wooten has re-enlisted in the U.S. Army at Ft. Campbell, KY. Edward is an artillery operations specialist with the U.S. Army Garrison. He is married to the former Ann Frye of Asheboro.

CLASS OF 1970

Lt. Thomas A. Johnson has graduated from the Federal Bureau of Investigation National Academy in Virginia. Lt. Johnson is currently a crime analyst for the Shelby Police Department. He has been with the Shelby Police Department for more than eleven years and has worked in both the patrol and investigation divisions. He and his wife, Evelyn, have a six year old daughter, Stacy Nicole. The Johnson family resides in Shelby.

CLASS OF 1971

Marion Floyd Thompson II and Sabra Ann Wilkinson were married May 31 in a garden wedding. Marion is a sales representative with Sharin Company in Charlotte. Sabra is associated with Carolina Brokers in Charlotte.

William B. Harrill III is currently working with the Columbia Metro Baptist Association as Church Starting and Development Director. Bill expects to graduate in December, 1986, with a Doctor of Education degree from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. The Harrill family resides in Columbia, S.C.

Linda Sue Austin Land and her husband, Tommy, announce the birth of a daughter, Megan Corisa, on April 10, 1986.

CLASS OF 1972

Carl L. Biggerstaff has been named Isothermal Community College's Outstanding Alumnus for 1985-86. Carl is Micro-Computer Lab Assistant/Software Controller in the Data Processing Department of the Business Division at Isothermal Community College.

Kenneth Gerald Webb and Vicki Lynn Gordon Webb announce the birth of a boy, Daniel Jordan, on March 26, 1986. They have another son, Andrew, who is two years old. The Webb family resides in New London, N.C.

CLASS OF 1973

Gladys J. Jones is employed by the Asheville City Schools. She resides in Asheville.

Donna Turner Williams has recently joined Hart Corporation in Greenville as the Sales and Marketing Director. Hart Corporation is a national real estate firm based in Philadelphia.

John C. Clark has been named presidentelect by the National Association of Credit Management. John is credit manager for Thermo-Industries Inc. in Charlotte. John resides in Rock Hill, S.C.

CLASS OF 1974

Bobby R. Stafford has been elected director of associational development by the N.C. Baptist State Convention. He is currently director of missions in the Wilmington Association. Bobby resides in Wrightsville Beach.

Jeff McNeill has been promoted to Associate Vice President of Development at Clemson University.

Danny Ham is installment loan manager and cashier at First Union Bank in Blacksburg, S.C. He recently took part in a program called Leadership Cherokee sponsored by the Gaffney Chamber of Commerce. This program teaches individuals to become tomorrow's leaders.

James B. Hughey, Ph.D. has opened his private practice of psychology with Foothills Psychological Associates in Rutherfordton. Dr. Hughey also operates psychological, educational and training programs through ownership of Funtime Cruiseship Center.

CLASS OF 1975

Dale Marie King has received a certificate of award from the Spartanburg County Education Association. This award was given to teachers whose students wrote exceptional essays during American Education Week. Dale is a third grade teacher at St. Paul School in Spartanburg, S.C.

Dr. Steve Freeman directs and owns Skyland Animal Hospital in Asheville, N.C. He and his wife, Nancy, still enjoy whitewater activities as well as their many dogs and cats. The Freeman family lives in Asheville.

Roger Eugene Nix received a Doctor of Ministry degree from Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary. He is currently the pastor of Temple Baptist Church in Raleigh.

Rev. Wayne D. Wike, pastor of the Berea Baptist Church near Mooresville, was awarded the Doctor of Ministry degree from the Union Theological Seminary in Virginia on May 25. Dr. Wike is married to the former Debbie Boyd of Shelby, and they are the parents of three children. The Wike family resides in Mooresville.

Terry Mason Barnes and Virginia Gray Barnes, '82, announce the birth of a daughter, Stephanie Marline, on April 27, 1986.

Jan Hood Smith and her husband, Dr. V.C. Smith, announce the birth of their daughter, Chelsea Leigh, on May 2, 1986. They have another daughter, Brandy, who is 6 years old. Jan is a homemaker and V.C. is a thoracic surgeon at Wilford Hall Medical Center, Lackland Air Force Base. The Smiths make their home in San Antonio, Texas.

CLASS OF 1976

Robert Doming and his wife, Janet, announce the birth of a son, Matthew Holt, on December 6, 1985. Bob is the pastor of First Baptist Church of Soddy-Daisy, Tennessee.

Wanda Faye McAbee and William Leroy Wilson, Jr., were married Sunday, June 22. The newlyweds make their home in Kings Mountain where William is employed with Spencer Pettus Machine Company of Gastonia.

Dennis James Hester and Pamela Lynn King were married on Saturday, July 5, 1986. Dennis is the pastor at Pioneer Baptist Church in Richmond, VA. He has compiled the *Vance Havner Quotebook* which will be published in June, 1986 by Baker Book House. Pamela is a former missionary in Zimbabwe.

Nancy Logan Mack and Richard A. Mack, '78, announce the birth of a daughter, Jillian Evelyn, on May 18, 1986. They have another daughter, Lydia Elizabeth, who is 4 years old. The Mack family resides in Denver, N.C., where Rick is employed by Bowman Trucking Co. Nancy teaches English at Bandys High School in Catawba County.

CLASS OF 1977

Donna Jones Miller is writing for the Preschool Sunday School Literature section of the Baptist Sunday School Board. Donna resides in Hudson, N.C.

Karen Alice Wilson has been called as Minister of Music and Youth at the First Baptist Church in Newland, N.C.

Paula Gulledge Williams has been named the Director for the High Point Friends Kindergarten and Preschool in High Point, N.C. Paula and her husband, Gralyn, reside in High Point with their two children, Gray and Beth. Paula will also be a featured writer in the Oct., Nov., Dec. '86 issue of *Encounter*, the youth devotional guide published by the Southern Baptist Convention.

John R. Kiser is employed as Plant Clerk at the Polk Youth Center Sign Plant in Raleigh, N.C. This center is under the N.C. Department of Correction. John is an active member of the West Raleigh Presbyterian Church.

People

CLASS OF 1978

Rick Kirby and Becky Manley Kirby, '79, announce the birth of a girl, Karla Rebekah, on September 9, 1985. Rick is Minister of Music and Activities at Reedy River Baptist Church in Greenville, S.C. Becky is currently on a one-year leave of absence from her teaching duties with Pickens County Schools. The Kirby family resides in Travelers Rest, S.C.

James I. Scarborough has been appointed as Assistant Director of People For The American Way in North Carolina. He and his wife, Susan, live in Wake Forest, N.C.

Tom Henderson is the new pastor of First Baptist Church in Kapperal, Texas. He is also finishing up his Ph.D. in Pastoral Ministries at Southwestern Seminary.

CLASS OF 1979

Ralph McKinney was elected president of the North Carolina Narcotics Agents' Regional Cooperative at the organization's spring training seminar. Ralph has been in law enforcement for 8 years and has been a member of NARC for 6 years.

Charles Joseph Tomlin received his Master of Divinity degree from Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary and is now pastor of Pleasant Grove Baptist Church in Shelby. He is married to the former Teresa Caldwell of Lincolnton.

Kenneth Sharp received his Master of Divinity degree from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in April, 1986.

Pam Gulledge Cranford and her husband, Michael, announce the birth of their son, Ben Michael, on November 6, 1985. Pam and her family reside in High Point, N.C.

Obbie Dale Todd and Leesa Shawn Gay Todd announce the birth of their first child, a son, Obbie Tyler on February 19, 1986. Obbie coaches football and teaches physical education and health at Apollo High School. Shawn teaches music at Newburgh Elementary School. The Todd family resides in Owensboro, Kentucky.

CLASS OF 1980

Eli Henry Price, Jr., is director of Children and Youth Ministries at Oxford United Methodist Church in Franklinton. He and his wife, Marie, reside in Franklinton, N.C.

Leslie Parker has been appointed Executive Director of the Pitt County Family Violence Program. Leslie resides in Greenville, N.C.

Donna W. Freeman is an actuarial assistant in the employee benefits division with Booke & Company in Winston-Salem. She was previously a senior pension analyst.

CLASS OF 1981

Sharon Godsmark Henderson and her husband, Richard, announce the birth of a boy, Michael Richard, born on September 9, 1985. Rick is employed by Piedmont Airlines and Sharon is with the Personal Computer Division of NCR in Finance and Administration. The Henderson family resides in Vandalia, Ohio.

John Randolph Rappe and Jane Harper Echerd were married Saturday, April 19, 1986. John is a supervisor at the United Parcel Service office in Monroe. Jane is a programmer trainee for Knight Publishing Co. The newlyweds reside in Mint Hill, N.C.

Gayle Elaine Stikeleather received her Master of Religious Education degree from Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary in May, 1986.

Rev. Mike Frazier is serving as pastor of the First Baptist Church in Bostic, N.C. He is currently enrolled in the Southeastern Seminary working on his Master of Divinity degree.

Brad Riddle is the Associate Pastor at Naples Baptist Church in Naples, N.C. He is responsible for youth ministry, administration and participation in music, teaching and visitation ministries. Brad is married to the former Annie Tracy and they have one daughter, Charissa Ann, 5 months old.

Marsha Dawn Huffstetler and Timothy Ray Farmer were married Saturday, May 10, 1986. Marsha is employed as job shop instructor at the Gaston County Job Training Center. Tim is employed as sales representative by Gastonia Sheet Metal Works, Inc. The newlyweds reside in Gastonia.

Peter Decker and Connie Squires McLean were married Saturday, May 31. The ceremony took place in a hot air balloon. Peter works for the enterprises division of Builder Marts of America. Connie is employed by First Federal Savings and Loan of South Carolina. The couple makes their home in Greenville, S.C.

Mark Myers Shore and Vicki Rowe Hollowell were married Saturday, June 7, 1986. Mark is employed by The Heritage Bank in Kenly and Vicki works for Johnston County Industries, Inc. of Smithfield. The couple lives in Kenly, N.C.

Dotty Lanning Leatherwood has been promoted to the position of human resources director at Cleveland Memorial Hospital. Dotty resides in Shelby with her husband, Steve, and their two sons, Jeff and Jeremy.

Teri Prunty has been elected to the Seminary Council at Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary for the 1986-87 academic year. The council facilitates communication between students, faculty and administration.

Ronald Lamar Putnam and his wife, Barbara, announce the birth of their first child, a boy, Jonathon Lamar, born on May 14, 1986. Ronnie is a shift supervisor for Computer Operations for Burroughs Health Care Services in Charlotte. Barbara is a special education teacher in the Charlotte-Mecklenburg School System.

CLASS OF 1982

Jacqueline C. Barkley has been hired as director of marketing and public relations at Gaston College. Jacqueline was formerly assistant director of admissions at Sacred Heart College. She and her husband, Julius, reside in Gastonia with their daughter, Alexandra.

Pamela Cheryl Butler and Douglas Ralph Simmons were married Sunday, June 1, 1986. Pam is employed as a training administrator of information systems training at Duke Power Co. in Charlotte. Doug works as a senior equipment engineer of the Timken Co. in Lincolnton. The newlyweds make their home in Denver, N.C.

Kevin Conrad Rockett and Deanna Maria Wilson exchanged their wedding vows on Saturday, May 17, 1986. Kevin is a collection administrator at General Electric Credit Corp. Deanna is a customer service administrator at General Electric Credit Corp. The couple resides in Matthews, N.C.

Stephen Mark Bare and Sarah Lucille Roquemore were married Saturday, May 10, 1986. The couple lives in Mount Pleasant, where Steve is employed by Lowes and Sarah works for Dr. Thomas Morse.

CLASS OF 1983

William Bradley Carson has completed his coursework for a Master's of Divinity Degree with a major in counseling at the Seminary in Denver, Colorado. He is currently a counselor at Excelsior Youth Center in Aurora, Colorado, which is a treatment center for adolescent girls. He is also a candidate for ordination at Evangelical Presbyterian Church. William resides in Littleton, Colorado.

Marcia Cecile Hicks and James Abram Corbett were married Saturday, April 5, 1986. Marcia is employed by Gaston County Schools and James is employed by Look Real Estate. The newlyweds make their home in Gastonia.

Leslie Carol Swann and Daniel Wayne Bowman were married Saturday, May 10, 1986. Leslie is a computer programmer for Baptist Hospital and Daniel is a brick mason.

Franklin Craig Meadows and Melanie Gay Covert were married Saturday, May 24, 1986. Craig is corporate accountant for Oakwood Homes in Greensboro and Melanie is receptionist for Physicians Health Plan of N.C. The couple resides in Kernersville, N.C. Suzanne Davis and Steven Ray Nelson were married Sunday, May 18, 1986. Suzanne is a teacher at First Baptist Church Children's Center. Steven is employed by Hanes Printables as a facilities engineering technician. The couple resides in Lexington, N.C.

CLASS OF 1984

Brian Andrew Burgess and Rhonda Jean Moy were married Sunday, March 23, 1986. Brian is working at Linville Golf Club as an assistant golf pro. Rhonda is employed by Waldenbooks while working on her administrative/management degree. The couple lives in Linville, N.C.

Michael E. Mitchell has accepted a position as a deputy U.S. Marshal at the Greensboro District Office. Michael was selected for this position out of 700 other applicants. He formerly served on the Troutman Police Department, achieving the rank of sergeant. Michael and his wife, Gail, have a daughter, Teresa.

Vanessa Padgett is the director of the East Burke Center, a satellite office of Western Piedmont Community College. The primary purpose of the center is to help people continue their education, especially to complete high school. Vanessa makes her home in Morganton, N.C.

Dana Renee Briscoe and Matthew Lewis Brinton were married Saturday, May 31, 1986. The couple makes their home in Shelby. Matt is employed with Carolina Freight Carriers Corporation in Cherryville as a computer programmer.

Kimbra Leigh Kerr and Bradford Lee Jones were married Saturday, May 3, 1986. Kimbra is employed at Re-Entry Community Penalties Program. Bradford is employed at Ryder Truck Rental. The newlyweds make their home in Raleigh.

Timothy Buford Brooks and Irma Jean Mauney were married Saturday, June 21, 1986. Tim is employed as manager of First State Savings and Loan Association in Fallston and Mrs. Brooks works at Dixie Industrial Supply, Inc. The couple makes their home in Fallston.

Gina Lynn Miller and Paul Edward Sharpe exchanged their wedding vows on Saturday, June 14, 1986. Gina had previously been employed by the Statesville City Schools. Paul is a student at Florida State University majoring in chemical science. The couple lives in Tallahassee, Florida.

Crystal Robin Hollar and Samuel Murphy Shepherd were married Sunday, June 15, 1986. The Shepherds live in Newton where Crystal is employed by Custom Carrier Corp. and Sam is a licensed real estate salesman.

Teresa Gayle Gardner and Spencer Keith Grigg were married Saturday, June 14, 1986. Teresa is a teacher in the Charlotte-Mecklenburg School System and Spencer is employed by Carolina Fitness Equipment as a commercial salesman representative for Western North Carolina. The newlyweds make their home in Charlotte.

People

Jean Marie Summers and Gregory Wyte Tillman were married Saturday, May 3, 1986. The newlyweds make their home in Nashville, TN, where Jean is employed as administrative assistant at Agri-Sales Associates and Gregory is a songwriter.

Andrea Kim Alewine and Patrick Brian McCool were united in marriage Saturday, June 14, 1986. Andrea is employed by the law firm of Stepp, Groce, Cosgrove and Miller. Patrick is a teacher and coach at R-S Central High School in Rutherfordton. The newlyweds make their home in Tryon, N.C.

Robbin Kay Gaskey and Vincent Ray Stamey exchanged their wedding vows on Saturday, June 7, 1986. The couple lives in Raleigh where Robbin is a registered nurse, and Vincent is employed by Northern Telecom as a computer programmer.

Robbie Dale Vance received his Master of Music degree from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in May, 1986.

Brent Allan Crenshaw and Cynthia Marie Voncannon were married Saturday, May 3, 1986. Brent is employed with Anthony Siding and Guttering in Concord and Cynthia is employed by H&M Medical Clinic. The couple makes their home in Midland, N.C.

Francis Scott Jenkins and Sceria Alberteen Hatley were married Saturday, May 10, 1986. The Jenkins make their home in Charlotte where he is employed by Southside Baptist Church as minister of youth and she is attending UNCC.

Mary Ann Garrett received her Master of Arts in Christian Education at Southern Seminary in May, 1986.

Christine Estelle Iwerks is employed as distribution clerk with the U.S. Postal Service in Shelby.

Dorothy Margaret Reichert and Daniel Paul Kinkopf were married Saturday, October 12, 1985. Daniel is self-employed as a landscaper and Dorothy is a homemaker. The couple resides in Orlando, Florida.

CLASS OF 1985

James Robert Jowers and Marcia Lynn Pettyjohn were married Saturday, May 3, 1986. The couple lives in Camden, S.C., where he is employed by the Kendall Co. and she is employed by Apparel Retail Corp. in Columbia.

Bryan McDowell Grady and Patricia Irene Phillips were married Sunday, June 1, 1986. Bryan is employed with E.R. Carpenter Company and Patricia is a student at the Burke Academy of Cosmetic Art. The newlyweds make their home in Morganton.

Brenda Jean Benfield and Daniel Pettus Caldwell were married Saturday, June 14, 1986. Brenda is pursuing a master of divinity degree from the New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary and is employed as receptionist/secretary with the Baptist Seminary Clinic. Daniel is employed with Loomis Armored, Inc. and is also a student at the New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary. The couple lives in New Orleans.

Stanley Thomas Sherrill and Terri Ann Lampkin were married June 21, 1986. Stanley works for Research Triangle Laboratories and Terri is employed by Booke & Company. The couple lives in Durham.

Ron Lindler has been appointed city executive of Southern National Bank in Hickory. Ron is also currently enrolled in the Louisiana State University School of Banking.

CLASS OF 1986

Candy Lynn Ballard and Ricky Dale Wright were united in marriage Saturday, May 17, 1986. The couple makes their home in Shelby where Ricky is employed as manager of Upper Cleveland Auto Parts in Fallston.

Lisa Maria Buckner and Perry Lawrence Wallace were married Saturday, May 31, 1986. Lisa received her degree in psychology and Perry is a rising senior at Gardner-Webb College. The Wallaces live in Shelby.

Stephen Lee Blackwell was elected president-elect of the Kiwanis Club of Gaffney. Steve is youth director at Grassy Pond Baptist Church in Gaffney, S.C.

Stephanie Lane Hudson and Michael James Splawn were married Saturday, May 24, 1986. Stephanie is employed by the Great Atlantic and Pacific Tea Company. Michael is employed by Dennis Splawn & Sons Construction Company. The couple lives in Bessemer City, N.C.

L. Renee Toney and Ricky L. Harward, '85, were married Saturday, May 3, 1986. The newlyweds live in Fort Worth, Texas, where both are attending Southwestern Seminary and working on advanced degrees.

Philip Edward McGaha and Teresa Ann Campbell were married Saturday, June 7, 1986. The couple lives in Fort Worth, Texas, where they will enter Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. Philip had been serving as minister of youth at Western Avenue Baptist Church in Statesville. Charles Allen Roberts, Jr. and Karen Annette Hall were married Saturday, April 5, 1986. Charles is currently employed by Steve White Motors in Hickory and Karen works for Dr. Paul Moss in Hudson. The couple will reside in Granite Falls until August, then will move to Ft. Worth, Texas, where Charles will be attending Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary.

Susan Ellen Welch and Michael Sharp exchanged marriage vows on Friday, April 11, 1986. The newlyweds reside in Asheville, N.C., where Michael is employed by Coca-Cola Bottling Company.

Sherri Lynn Jackson and Martin Neil Gambill, '84, were married Sunday, June 8, 1986. Martin is employed as unit director of Bojangles in Shelby. The couple lives in Shelby.

Alison Champion and Bill Carswell were married on Saturday, May 3, 1986. Alison is returning to school at Gardner-Webb College and Bill is a trooper with the North Carolina State Highway Patrol. The couple lives in Kings Mountain.

Bridget Turnmire Goodwin is employed as a Breakfast Manager with Spartan Foods in Boiling Springs.

Andi Morris is a summer youth worker at Poplar Grove Baptist Church in Concord, N.C.

Deborah Cantor Presnell is an account executive with Bernhardt Industries in Lenoir, N.C.

Roger Dale Norris is a Management Trainee Supervisor with Paper Stock Dealers, Inc. in Statesville, N.C.

Cindy Strickland is a summer youth worker at Reeds Baptist Church in Lexington, N.C.

Jana Mathis is an Intake Coordinator with the 25th Judicial District in Morganton, N.C.

Terry Sims is a Courtesy Clerk with Bi-Lo's in Rock Hill, S.C.

Judy Ann Fitch Weaver is a teacher's aide at Number Three Elementary School in Cleveland County.

Bobby Watson is a staff accountant with the Hamrick, Ritchie, and Company CPA firm in Shelby, N.C.

Mike Morris is a student at Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary.

Elizabeth Dawn Parsons is a youth director at Emmanuel Baptist Church in the Netherlands. She has been appointed by the BSU/Foreign Mission Board as a semester missionary. Upon her return to the United States, she plans to attend the University of Georgia and work on her Master's degree in Music Education.

Karen Kay Contos Fulcher is a financial services manager at Centenary United Methodist Church in Winston-Salem.

Dwayne Wilson is a sales representative with Liberty Life Insurance Company in Hickory, N.C.

Todd Allran is a staff accountant with McGladrey, Hendrickson, and Pullen in Hickory, N.C.

Stephen Summers is working as a carpenter this summer in Shelby and will enter Southwestern Seminary in the fall.

Tammy Lynn Pruitt received her AA in nursing and will take the state boards in July, 1986.

Lucenda Mapp McKinney is a teacher at Forest City Elementary School in Forest City, N.C.

Bryce Boyd Harrington is manufacturing engineering coordinator at Butler Polymet, Inc. in Lenoir, N.C.

William Edgar Hinson is a public safety officer with the City of Winston-Salem, N.C.

Tarina Dare Webster is the manager for the Ralph Scott Group Home (group home for mentally retarded adults) in Burlington, N.C.

Elizabeth Comesana is a registered nurse at Gaston Memorial Hospital in Gastonia, N.C.

Phillip Aubrey Townsend and Patricia Kay Layman were married Saturday, April 26, 1986. Phillip is a student at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary.

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